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Ye Smudge Pot

A movement has been launched in congress to reduce the tariff on foreign liquor imports.

Thank Goodness! Sen. Huey Long of Louisiana has so far been able to cut his political capers without anybody recalling that once a Jackson county Grand Juror, he endorsed the eminent therapist for the presidency, between cheers for a revolution.

My friends all found this a wonderful thing; they said it was the most interesting reading matter ever seen in the Times. But then, most of my friends are educated persons, while the majority of Californians are less so.

The weather turned off chilly, to the great delight of woodyard prople, plumbers and advocates of a white Christmas.

The 32,002 per cent profit garnered by the munitions makers during the war is attributed to "efficient management." The efficiency was of a low grade, or it would have been an even 33,000 per cent.

The State Bank notion, which bloomed last spring, but was sidetracked by its fathers, to enable them to present a solid front, against the sensible sales tax measure, will be introduced in the legislature by a group of Portland farmers, who know as little about banking as they do farming. It is not expected that the legislature will be giddy enough to pass it. Then it will be subjected to one of the well-known mandates of the people. The State Bank law, as planned, provides that nothing can be taken out of the State Bank, unless something is put into the State Bank. This feature may cause the defeat of the legislative pain-in-the-neck.

Your curr. yesterday dropped a \$3 bill on the sidewalk. It was picked up by a pedestrian, who luckily experienced no trouble in finding the owner.

Citizens report holes in the residential district pavement as big as the holes some of the citizens think they are in.

CLEAR AS MUD. (Tax Instructions) To compute the amount of surtax on any amount of net income in excess of \$6000—First: Find in column A the largest first which is less than the total amount of the net income subject to surtax. Second: Find in column C the corresponding amount of total surtax. Third: To the amount of surtax found as above add an amount computed as follows: Subtract from the net income the sum found in column A and multiply the remainder by the rate shown on the next line below in column B. The sum of these two amounts is the total surtax due.

MISSIONARIES TRAVEL TO HANKOW IN JUNKS

HANKOW, China, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Eight American missionaries of the Reformed Church in America arrived here today on a Chinese junk, completing a journey of eight days.

The Americans had evacuated their mission station at Shenshow, West Hunan province, and traveled here by way of Changting and Yochow.

The party consists of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Theophilus Higgeness, Detroit; the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Snyder, Akron, O.; the Reverend Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Burcher, Lancaster, Pa.; Miss Helen Brown, Chambersburg, Pa.; and Miss A. K. Zierdt, Philadelphia.

Troubles for F. D. Ahead

WE hope President Roosevelt enjoys a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, for after the holidays his troubles will begin. Congress will then be in session. As usual the members of congress as a whole will be interested in what is good politics; while the President, as usual, will be concerned with what is best for the country.

The veterans bonus will be one of the first things on the program. Everyone agrees the measure will pass the lower house with a whoop. It may have harder sledding in the senate, but its passage there is also certain.

The President realizes that with the financial condition of the country what it is,—with the necessity of relief still paramount,—this is no time to sanction the IMMEDIATE payment of millions in cash to citizens not in actual need. He will, therefore, attempt to secure a compromise which will restrict such payments to those veterans eligible for federal relief.

Whether he succeeds or the original measure is passed over his veto remains to be seen. It promises to be a hard battle either way.

ANOTHER knotty problem will be the popular Townsend old-age pension plan.

This clever proposal, designed to solve all of Uncle Sam's economic and financial problems in one fell swoop, has met with a popular reaction which is nothing short of sensational. To hundreds of thousands it has demonstrated clearly there IS a Santa Claus. Securing signatures urging its enactment has been as difficult, as getting signatures to a promise of sudden wealth and independence, for every man, woman and child in the land.

THE threat of Father Townsend that he will "lick the hide off congress and send it home" if his proposal is not approved, is a needless gesture. At the present writing there are more votes behind this measure, than behind the cash bonus. Just how many there are no one knows, but probably 10,000,000 is not far from a conservative estimate. In the face of such political support, the members of the lower house will no more think of fighting the proposition than of advocating a life pension for J. P. Morgan. Messiah Townsend might as well have saved his breath.

But as President Roosevelt must consider the welfare of the entire country, and must confine his endorsement to proposals which are practical and wise, regardless of their popular appeal, the opposition of his administration is inevitable.

The President favors the principle of old age pensions. But he strongly opposes a federal sales tax, which is the keystone of the Townsend arch, and could hardly secure the approval of his treasury to a proposal that would take half of the income of all the people, of this country, to benefit a minority of less than ten percent.

However the popular support is there. And with the fallacy involved linked up with the abstruse subject of economics and finance, the task of making the fallacy clear to the rank and file, will be difficult indeed. The ability of the President to surmount this legislative obstacle, without taking a serious cropper, will certainly be a supreme test of his unquestioned political skill.

THERE will be many more perplexing questions for the White House to decide, before the 1935 session of congress finally ends. The danger will not be to the President's program—what he really WANTS he undoubtedly will be able to secure. The danger will NOT be from those who want to obstruct the "new deal", but from those who wish the new deal to go farther to the left than the President desires.

In short unless all signs fail, the prediction made in this column some time ago, may well be sustained during the ensuing session of congress, namely:

President Roosevelt instead of fighting against the conservative forces in this country, will be fighting against the ultra-liberal forces, who with the bit in their teeth will be threatening to get completely out of hand.

The problem will then become, not what it has been the past few months—to persuade the President to turn away from the left, but to make it politically possible for him to turn to the right as far as he really desires!

In other words, to all intents and purposes, President Roosevelt for a time at least will become the Conservative leader of the United States.

Communications

Divine Right to Loot?

To the Editor:

It is not Moscow RED that is worrying the entrenched junkers in the legal and political business and banking groups that puts such an un-American fascist propaganda law on the statute books of our state; but the American principle of the rights of citizens to think, read, organize, petition and rectify the evils that make life unbearable for thousands when Brigand Business bands feel that their "Divine Right to Loot" is questioned. They have looted the public and public treasury so long that they have grown to feel it their "Divine right to loot" and also their right to kill if anybody touches that loot or questions their right to loot. Looting will come to an end, but how I am not prepared to say. They, bankers and business groups, have held high carnival in our nation long enough.

ADAM DEAKIN, Medford, December 19.

End Wars, and Then?

In your issue of December 14, I read your commendable editorial on "The Price of Peace." The same issue held a picture of Dr. (Quintus) DaPoe. Your respective achievements are worthy of the honors received. But here's the nut to crack. Medical science speeds up the increase in population. War and pestilence retard this increase. When skilled medicine were stamping out plagues in China, a few years back, they were up the proverbial stump when Chang Blandly inquired as to how over-populated China could dispose of the remaining increase in population. Granted a world free from the curse of war and disease poor homo

sapiens WILL have serious troubles. Try compound interest on 100 years, 50 years.

Desirable as Utopia may be, the human race is barred. Humans are mere dust in a whirlwind where control of the fate of the universe is their desired objective.

Were we capable of living more in accord with the Twelve Commandments a great many tribulations would fade out. There is no alternative.

JOHN A. HECKNER, Medford, December 19.

KANSAS FARMERS' INCOME GROWING

TOPEKA, Kan.—(UP)—The cash income of Kansas farmers for 1934 will be \$280,000,000, the highest it has been since 1930, figures released by F. K. Reed, federal agricultural statistician, here.

The income shows a big gain over that of last year, but it is still far below the high figure of 1928, when the farmers received \$441,053,000 for their crops and livestock. The income in 1933 was \$165,540,000.

Payments by the government on hog-corn contracts and wheat acreage reduction figured in both the income return for 1933 and this year.

Federal payments for 1934 amount to \$44,000,000, Reed said, and without them the income of the farms would have been \$208,000,000. In 1933 the farmers received \$17,000,000 from the government.

A bigger wheat crop and better prices was the principal cause for the higher income this year, Reed said.

Phone 342. We'll haul away your refuse. City Sanitary Service.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene not to disease diagnosis or treatment will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

A GOOD DOCTOR MUST BE A GOOD GUESSER

Six weeks ago... Oh-oh—we had better warn the reader that this is something to read to yourself first.



Six weeks ago remarks a good physician, who without purporting to be a specialist, has become famous for his skill in diagnosis.

When you are well acquainted with your doctor you do not hesitate to consult him about any apparently minor functional disturbance, and that is much better than procrastinating in him about a major worry or difficulty.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The answer to the Layman's Prayer. My experience confirms your teaching that cri is not caused by getting one's feet wet or sitting in a draft.

Answer—A book by D and R. Thomson, "The Common Cold," published 1933 by Williams and Wilkins, Baltimore, giving conclusions reached from reports of more than 2,000 researchers as well as the researches of the author. Some 700 pages—good reading, brother! If you learn anything please let me know.

Vaccination. As an anti-riviscionist I was extremely interested in your remarks about vaccination. Vaccination should never be compulsory.

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The romance of the road show, which made New York the world's theatrical capital, has faded to a faint blur.

Movie researchers for the Diamond Jim Brady film have discovered that the opulent Broadwayite probably had the first penthouse. The second was that of Henry L. Doherty, overlooking the harbor on State street.

My friend Wong, the Chinese laundryman, explains the tariff hit to his wash list with "Ketchum N.R.A." (Copyright, 1934, McNaught Syndicate, Inc.)

A hound well trained for "posse" hunting often fails for as much as \$200 in the south.

An albino lark, solid white save for his bright yellow breast, was killed near Charleston, S. C., and presented to the city's museum.

It cost San Joaquin county, California, \$500 to place two minor party candidates on the November ballot, and then only two of the three registered persons voted.

Party caretakers of private gain associations near Van-over, B. C., were made provincial constables for duration of the hunting season.

A turnip that broke the laws of nature by sprouting two tops was grown by A. M. Kunt of Frank's, Tenn.

A 25-grain gold magnet was given by P. F. Gillit, maker for his wife's prescription to a Baker, Ore., newspaper.

By act of the recent legislature, the governor of Kentucky is vested with power to discharge any appointive official of the state government.

Every tuberculosis Christmas sale is a recovery campaign.

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

FOR two or three days, this column has dealt with the history of artificial illumination—that is to say, the efforts of human beings, through hundreds of generations, to solve the problem of finding their way about at night.

It is an interesting story, in itself, and besides it points a number of useful lessons.

YOU have read, for example, that for more than 25 centuries a crude wick, hanging over the edge of a bowl of oil, provided humanity with light at night.

That is because people of that day were TOO EASILY SATISFIED. They didn't want something better BADLY ENOUGH to use their brains in figuring out ways to get it.

When human beings are wholly satisfied with what they have, there is no progress.

YOU have read, also that after Edison had invented the electric bulb, he was stumped at first by the problem of the fixture's shadow underneath.

Lamps had always stood upright, because flame naturally GOES UPWARD, and even Edison's brilliant and original mind couldn't get out of the rut worn by thousands of years of conventional thinking. It was only by accident he learned that his electric bulb would burn upside down.

YOU have read that invention of the tungsten filament provided MORE LIGHT WITH LESS CURRENT. That is, it lowered the cost of electric lights.

But, instead of ruining the electric industry by decreasing its market, the tungsten filament HELPED the industry by increasing consumption.

When the cost of electricity was cheapened, people promptly began to use MORE OF IT.

IF we could just make all the products of our civilization cheap enough that EVERYBODY could afford to use as much of them AS HE WANTS, we might solve the riddle of over-production and so learn how to abolish poverty, and create universal and lasting prosperity—for prosperity, you know, consists merely in having PLENTY of the things we WANT.

Unfortunately, we are now tackling this problem from the opposite end; limiting production, shortening hours, plowing under wheat and cotton, killing pigs to get rid of them—making things so costly that people can't afford to use them.

We'll have to get away from that false idea before we can banish poverty and create lasting prosperity, just as Edison had to get away from the idea that an electric bulb HAD to stand upright.

OUR trouble is the same as Edison's—we're THINKING IN A RUT.

We've always thought of high wages and high prices as creating prosperity. That ISN'T TRUE, any more than it was true that Edison's electric bulb had to stand upright. What creates prosperity is enabling EVERYBODY to have PLENTY of what he WANTS. High prices merely make it HARDER for everybody to get what he wants, thus PREVENTING prosperity.

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Christmas Seals are penny brain insurance.

Markets

Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—Cattle: 200; quotably steady, unchanged. HOGS: 700; active; feeder and stocker pigs, good and choice, \$3.75-4.50; others unchanged. SHEEP: 100; steady, unchanged.

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—(AP)—(U. S. D. A.)—Cattle 350; including 125 holdovers; slow; early sales steers around steady; she-stock mostly steady; few medium slaughter steers, \$4.40; fairly good under 1100 lbs. short feeds quoted towards \$6.25; good feed yearlings quoted to \$6.50. SHEEP: none; good choice under 90-lb. woolled lambs nominally quoted toward \$6.50.

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Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Year Ago)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY December 19, 1924. (It was Friday) Mercury drops to nine above zero last night, and the coldest weather since 1919 is experienced. Two degrees below zero is registered at the Talent Experiment station.

Movement started to tear down shacks along the Pacific highway. Cross-word puzzles hold valley residents in firm grip.

New school is dedicated in the Evans Valley district. State tax levy to show increase over last year, Salem reports.

Citizens pay paving assessments, when council threatens to sell lots for delinquency. Ricks hold annual Christmas tree, with largest attendance in history.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY December 19, 1914. (It was Saturday) Allied armies gain in Belgium; Germans force back Russians in Poland and Austrians capture Cra-cow.

Furries of snow, the first of the year, fall in city. Socialists of the city to hold meeting at Smith's Hall tomorrow.

Commercial club sends out appeal for all citizens to aid the Belgian relief fund. City is full of Christmas shoppers.

The Elks temple will be formally opened New Year's eve with a watch party. Fifteen men are working on the finishing touches.

discrimination against women workers, particularly wives. You may expect action shortly.

All buying of foodstuffs by the FERA is in charge of Lt. Commander A. D. Clark, U. S. N., who for years bought for the United States fleet.

Word has been passed around that Louis Howe's illness is cramping new deal life. Howe has been more or less ill for the last ten years, but is still active enough to let Bryns be speaker and several other minor things like that.

Freshmen to Visit Library. COLUMBIA, Mo.—(UP)—Missouri university faculty members decided to encourage students to spend little time in the library. They arranged tours for all English classes to be sure that first year students would spend at least one hour with reference works.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 19.—(AP)—An extension of time of which members decided to postpone was granted the Steiner & Carpenter bank at Fossil by the state banking board today. The time limit was extended to January 31.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale. By virtue of an execution in foreclosure duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Jackson, to me directed and dated on the 21st day of November, 1934, in a certain action therein, wherein Jane Kent as Plaintiff, recovered judgment against Charles E. Gates and Leah Gates, husband and wife, George E. Gates and Dora Gates, husband and wife; C. E. Swallow, H. Hutton and William Laing, the Defendants, for the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred (\$5,500.00) Dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from December 28, 1931, with costs and disbursements taxed at Twenty-seven and 25/100 (\$27.25) Dollars, and the further sum of Four Hundred and no/100 (\$400.00) Dollars, as attorney's fees, which judgment was entered and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court in said County on the 19th day of November, 1934.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the terms of the said execution, I will on the 19th day of January, 1935, at 10:00 o'clock a. m., in the Court room of the Court in the City of Medford in Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, to satisfy said judgment, together with the costs of this sale, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title and interest that the said defendants, Charles E. Gates and Leah Gates, husband and wife; George E. Gates and Dora Gates, husband and wife; C. E. Swallow, H. Hutton and William Laing, had on the 26th day of June, 1929, or now have in and to the following described property, situated in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 230 feet Southeastly from the Southwest corner of Block City (4) of the Town of New City of Medford, Oregon, and a line running from said Southwest corner of said Block City (4) Southeastly parallel with Apple Street, and from said beginning point continuing on the same course 135 feet 30 inches South 54 degrees 30 minutes West 100 feet more or less, to the point of beginning, excepting and reserving therefrom 53 feet in width across the northwest end of the above described premises, hereinafter called "W. A. Smith's Lot."

Dated this 18th day of December, 1934. WALTER J. OLSCHESID, Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon. By HOWARD GAULT, Deputy.

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Portland Wheat

PORTLAND, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Grain: Wheat Open High Low Close May 81½ 81½ 81½ 81½ Dec 81½ 81½ 81½ 81½ Cash: Big Bend bluestem, 68½; dark hard winter, 12 cent, 94; do 11 cent, 86½; western white, 79½; soft white, hard winter, northern spring, western red, 80½. Oats, No. 2 white, \$33.50. Corn, No. 2 yellow, \$41.50. Millrun, standard, \$24. Today's car receipts: Wheat, 41; flour, 12; hay, 1.

Chicago Wheat